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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) PATENT  
CHMELA, Franz et al. )  
Serial No.: 10/575,113 ) GROUP:  
Filed: June 6, 2006 ) EXAMINER:  
METHOD FOR OPERATING AN INTERNAL ) CONFIRMATION NO.  
COMBUSTION ENGINE ) CUSTOMER NO. 25269

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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June 29, 2006

Sir:

Prior to initial evaluation, please amend this application as follows: